

MASSACHUSETTS - DISTRICT 2**Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997**

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	SMALLEST	LARGEST	MEDIAN OF COUNTIES
Farms			
Number	185	984	479
Acreage	9,869	103,400	44,755
Average size (acres)	53	105	94
Median size (acres)	16	58	44
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	302,304	573,801	367,612
Machinery/equip (dollars)	28,543	38,750	35,548
Cropland (acres)			
Total	3,856	44,047	21,490
Harvested	2,763	33,232	16,470
Irrigated	333	1,276	896
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	8,266	57,949	32,311
(dollars avg. per farm)	44,680	69,633	62,390
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	7,974	16,465	14,780
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	901	12,776	5,363
Beef cows	205	1,472	584
Milk cows	310	5,704	2,270
Hogs and pigs	264	3,483	1,517
Sheep and lambs	451	1,649	858
Layers 13 wks or/older	895	895	895
Broilers and chicken (sold)	821	821	821
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	0	1,970	126
Corn, silage or green chop	1,673	4,381	3,013
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	0
Wheat	N	N	0
Barley	N	N	0
Oats	N	N	0
Rice	N	N	0

Sunflower seed	N	N	0
Cotton	N	N	0
Tobacco	N	N	0
Soybeans	N	N	0
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	0
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	3	1,896	9
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	0
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	0
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	0
Hay-alfalfa	1,884	24,286	9,038

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Vegetables			
Number of farms	40	139	95
Acreage	508	3,058	1,657
Orchards			
Number of farms	10	114	41
Acreage	108	2,838	560

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture